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This is a request for filing a [X] continuation or [] divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of prior application Serial No. 10/103,733 filed on March 25, 2002, entitled **TETRAHYDROPYRIDOETHERS** by the following inventor(s).

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- [] additional sheet(s) with inventors information attached
- 1. [] A Second Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 2. Cancel claim(s) _____ for purposes of lessening filing fees.

The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended by 1 and/or 2 above.

CLAIMS

Basic Fee							\$385			\$770
Total Claims	68	- 20	=	48	x 09	=	\$	x 18	=	\$864.00
Ind. Claims	4	- 03	=	1	x 43	=	\$	x 86	=	\$ 86.00
[] Multiple De	epender	nt Clain	าร		<u>+145</u>	=	\$	+290	=	\$
					Total		\$	To	tal	\$1720.00

3.	[X]	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1358. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.								
4.	[]	This application is filed under Rule 53(f) and therefore the [] Filing Fee [] Declaration is not enclosed. All authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1358 for 35 C.F.R. 1.16 fees previously made is revoked.								
5.	[X]	A credit card payment form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$1720.00 is enclosed.								
6.	[X]	Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:								
		This is a <u>continuation</u> of application Serial No. <u>10/103,733</u> filed <u>March 25, 2002</u> , which in turn is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/582,212 filed July 19, 2000, now Patent No. 6,436,953, which is a 371 of PCT/EP99/06899 filed September 17, 1999.								
7.	[]	A verified statement claiming small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27:								
	a) [] was claimed by way of a declaration filed in prior application Serial No								
	b) [] is claimed by way of the attached declaration.								
8.	[X]	Priority of application Serial Nos. <u>19843504.5 and 98117988.0</u> , filed on <u>September 23 1998</u> in <u>Germany and Europe, respectively</u> is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.								
	a) [X]	Certified copy is on file in prior application, Serial No. <u>09/582,212</u> .								
9.	[X]	The prior application is assigned of record to Altana Pharma AG.								
10.	[X]	The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to at least one of the following:								
		Harvey B. Jacobson, Jr., 20,85l; John Clarke Holman, 22,769; Allen S. Melser, 27,215; Michael R. Slobasky, 26,421; Jonathan L. Scherer, 29,851; Irwin M. Aisenberg, 19,007; and William E. Player, 31,409.								
	a) [X]	The power appears in the original papers of the prior application.								
11.	[X]	Petition to extend the life of the above prior application to at least the date hereof								
	NOTE	(One box) [] is being concurrently filed in E:(must be) that prior application. [] was previously filed in that application. [X] is not necessary.								

If a Petition for Extension of Time is necessary and the Petition and/or payment is not enclosed, this will act as the Petition and applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response and charge any fees necessary under 37 CFR 1.17 (a)(1)-(5) to Deposit Account No. 06-1358.

- 12. [] New formal drawings are enclosed.
- 13. [X] Enclosed is a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and PTO 1449 which was filed in Serial No. 10/103,733, filed March 25, 2002 which is relied on for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120.
- 14. [X] Enclosed is a copy of the PTO 892 which issued in Serial No. <u>09/582,212</u>, filed <u>July 19</u>, <u>2000</u> which is relied on for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120.
- 15. [X] Also enclosed is: A new set of claims.

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Enclosed is a copy of the prior application including the Declaration as originally filed and a new set of claims, namely Serial No. <u>10/103,733</u>, filed on <u>March 25, 2002</u>. The entire disclosure of the prior application is hereby incorporated by reference.

Respectfully submitted,

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